

# THE HICKMAN COURIER.

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## Local and Personal.

—Miss Lizzie Tams is visiting in Union City.

—Special Easter services at the Catholic Church, Sunday.

—Services at the C. P. Church, Sunday.

—Misses Light and Irene Faris are visiting in Terrell, Tenn.

—Mrs. L. A. Stoor has returned from a visit to Greenfield, Tenn.

—Mrs. Jennie Wilson is visiting in St. Louis and will remain there several months.

—Capt. J. J. Young has gone to the hills, to take charge of a trans-

fer boat.

—Mrs. F. W. Keiser, of Union City is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. T. Emerson.

—Mrs. D. B. Burnets and children, of Rosedale, Tenn., are guests of Mrs. S. Adams.

—Tom Holcombe, who has been attending a school of pharmacy, at Louisville, has returned home.

—Messrs. Claude Walker and W. S. Elkins, return from a trip to Louisville and Cincinnati.

—The C. P. ladies weekly coffee will meet at the home of Mrs. John Kistner, next Wednesday. Everybody invited.

—Admiral Dewey's rally song for his campaign showed the words: "refrain": "Now and then, picas, noches and such, when a man marries his trouble begins."

—A small fire occurred in East Hickman. Monday night, a small frame house belonging to Mr. Tom Plummer being destroyed. It was not occupied, and no insurance.

—The State Board reduced Fulton County's tax assessment from 15 cents to 14 cents, and a resolution was passed by the Board to reduce the taxes of Messrs. R. T. Tyler and J. W. Morris appeared before the Board.

—Special Easter service and music in the Episcopal church, Sunday at 11 a.m., to which all are welcome. On April 29th, Bishop Drudley will visit the parish and will consecrate the church at the morning service, and the same evening he will administer the rite of confirmation.

—Manager Chas. C. Farmer, of Mt. Carroll, Ill., lectured to a fair-sized audience in the City Hall, on the subject of the interest of the Woodmen of the World. He said that "Fraternity" had seven great branches, into which the members of these organizations have many entrances and all of them were good. The most eminent organization is the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Knights of Honor, Woodmen of the World, etc. He recommended them all, but said that the three last named are the best features of all these Orders—the three great tenets of this Order are that a man should die in his bed, in an unmarked grave; all policies are incontestable after the first year, and no policy should expire while the holder is on a sick bed. He also recommended the Knights of Columbus No. 3, of this city, to stir them up and get their neighbors and friends to connect themselves with this noble Order.

## Council Proceedings.

HICKMAN, Ky., April 11, 1900.  
Council met in called session. Present, Mayor Dillon, Councilmen Ellison, Cowgill, Wear, Davis and Brevard.

The Mayor stated the object of the meeting to be to take steps to keep the town in good sanitary condition, in view of the existence of small pox now Alexander, in this county, and to prevent the introduction and spread of same in the city.

On motion it is ordered that every property owner in the city be required to clean up and put his premises in order, and to scatter lime about, and use other disinfectants around the stable, outhouses, or any place where germs may be developed.

On motion it is ordered that the Marshal shall isolate every person in the city not having evidence of successful vaccination or having a certificate, as cause be because under penalty of a fine of \$50 per day for every day failing so to do.

On motion it is ordered that the city may think desirable.

Mr. Dillon appointed Cowgill, Ellison and Davis as committee.

On motion Council adjourned.

A. C. H. C. C.

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by delighted crowds all the week.

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## Marshal's Sale for Taxes.

Smallpox at Crutchfield.

On Monday, May 7th, 1900, it being the second day of the May term of the Fulton County Court, at the court house door in Hickman, Ky., I will sell to the highest bidder, for Cash, for taxes due the city of Hickman, and cost of sale, the following described real estate, as follows:

1/2 acre in block 1, E. H. block 2, Nos. 35 to 37, 163 to 165, 173, 177 to 179, 201 to 203, 211, 213, 215, 217, 219, 221, 223, block 5, E. H. 199, 200, 201; block 6, E. H. 230 to 234.

1/2 acre in block 2, Nos. 93 to 98, 129 to 132, 152 to 156, 158 to 163, 141 and 150.

Currie Seth, O. H. block 2 and 3/4 of lot 100, block 1, E. H. block 2, Nos. 50 to 59.

Knorr, Mrs. Mary, E. H. block 2, Nos. 83 to 85, 164, 165.

Taylor, Mrs. M. J. W. H. No. 70, 518.

Hammond, W. H., south 1/2 of Nos. 108 and 50.

Webb, H. C. H. block 6, Nos. 102 to 105.

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Lindor, Cary, E. H. block 3, Nos. 108 to 112.

Meriwether, Rubie heirs, E. H. block 5, Nos. 218 and 217.

Nichols, C. E. H. block 1, Nos. 8 and 9.

Plummer, Mrs. J. E. H. block 6, Nos. 103 to 106.

Pratt, Mrs. G. A. H. block 2, Nos. 107 and 108.

Rhodes, H. G. A. H. block 2, Nos. 92, 96, 97.

Uhler, Lydia, E. H. block 3, Nos. 183 to 187, 214 and 222.

Yates, Geo. E. H. block 2, Nos. 149, 150, 151 and 152.

United Brothers Friendship, E. H.

block 2, Nos. 99 and 100.

\$17.90

COLORED LIST.

Clark, Jim, G. A. H. Nos. 58 to 60.

Carter, Amy, G. A. H. Nos. 70 and 72.

Hammond, W. H. 1/2 of Nos. 80, 81, 82, 83.

Lauderback, George, G. A. H. Nos. 101 to 105.

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**EASTER BELLS!**  
Easter bells! Easter bells!  
Oh, the happy chiming over hills  
and dells.  
All the earth around,  
With the budding flowers springing,  
With the birds singing, singing,  
With the carols gay ringing.  
Wake, oh, gladness Easter bell!

**Easter bells! Easter bells!**

Sing, sweet bells, in cadence swells.

Over sea and land,

In the frosty north, in the south, in the east,

In the west, in the south, in the east,

Read your lesson, Easter bells!

**Easter bells! Easter bells!**

Waken Peace and Love!

Kindest love, from above,

Hallowed from above.

Say the tumult and the wrongs,

With the tears and the thronging,

Hush the cares to earth belonging.

Joyful, joyful Easter bells!

—George Cooper in Golden Days.

## Mrs. Dewey's Easter.

**T**HE hours jangled easily along toward town. They were lazy old fellows, Nat and Bill, by now, and a heavy load of grain on for the mill and perhaps resented it. Mrs. Dewey sat perched up high in her husband's lap, his hand on the wheel, as she drew on her shawl close about her, as the chill March wind struck her sensibly, as she remarked to her husband, with a protesting shiver, "I'm a picture now, I'm so fat," but had been pretty once, when her hair was brown and curly, her eyes bright and her complexion fair and pokey, but since she had married Lou Dewey, and had given him her hair, her complexion had been greatly altered, her work had aged her greatly, and the brightness and bloom of her girlhood days were almost crushed out of her.

Mr. Dewey was a good man, for all that he so thoroughly needed waking up, but he had been accustomed to see up, but he had been accustomed to seeing his mother and sisters turn off great quantities of tea and coffee, robust health and strength, and it simply did not occur to him that his wife was wearing her life away in a tread-mill which was taxying her to the utmost limit of her endurance.

"I suppose you're a duty-bound," remarked Mr. Dewey, as he flicked his whip suggestively around Nat's heels.

"I reckon if I can get the crop sown, I'll be all right."

"I've got some hundreds

of acres ahead of what I've been year before in some time."

"Lou, don't you suppose, if you do, that you'd have a nice cabin in the parlor?" In a moment she had something real handsome to look at, it would lighten the work ever so much."

"Ain't I handsome enough?" asked Mr. Dewey, with unusual humor.

Mr. Dewey, though a good husband, was not a handsome man at his best, and to-day he had taken little time to "sick up," and the March wind had tamed his hair and reddened his nose in addition.

"The rug carpet was pretty enough

when it was new," she continued "but sometimes I've awfully tired of rag carpet."

"The wimmin folks get terribly tired of things anyhow, it seems to me," remarked Mr. Dewey, reflectively.

"Yes, we do, Lou," replied his wife, with a weary sigh of feeling. "I'm tired to death of looking at the same things, and of wearing the same clothes year in and year out. I get so hungry for pretty things sometimes it seems like I'd go crazy."

Mr. Dewey turned and looked at his wife in astonishment.

"Well, I awan' Martha," he said, slowly. "Pity you didn't marry a rich man that could give you all you wanted."

"No, I don't want no rich man."

Martha Dewey caught her breath in a half-sigh. "You're plenty enough, son, you've a notion of things I don't need; you're like other women have them. Pretty things don't cost me much more than bumpy ones, either."

"Well, I awan' what's gotten into you, Martha, all of a sudden?"

"Nothing new, Lou Dewey," replied his wife in a combative tone, "it's there pretty things, I mean, that's the trouble. It's words and slangs, and sets me going in spite of myself, like the water turns the big wheels at the mill."

They were in the town now, and a young woman was tripping down the sidewalk, clad in a voluminous taffeta manteau suit, whose perfect fit and material added grace and beauty to a form and face no more to be admired than Martha in her longing eyes.

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The young woman, who had the horses tautened up to the door of the great, busy mill. He had been acquainted with Martha years before, and he noted her red face and short hair.

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Martha found her longings in the quietness of the office, the telephone, the immense ledgers over which the bookkeeper was pouring the book-

keeper himself, a thin, wiry man who worked with a typewriter machine and possessed of a very artistic machine. His wife came in as she waited, a brilliant, graceful creature whose garments were radiant with the light of sun and moon, and the perfume of roses and violets.

A bunch of carnations was pinned to her cloak. "See what Bathers gave me when I ordered my Easter lilies," she said, smilingly to her husband, then the little woman's face in the office chair, a sweet thought came to her, and unpinning the flowers, she laid three of the tallest and richest in Martha's hair.

"Oh, thank you," cried Martha, her voice trembling with eager delight. "I'm so fond of flowers, and I don't get any time to run around, and I'm not getting any time to run around."

Mr. Bonney bent over her, persuasive way which was hard to resist, and a few moments later Martha was taking her seat in Mrs. Bonney's cosy sitting-room, in response to a generous welcome.

Many Bonneys were of those sweet, gracious women who were very pleasant to look at and good to sit. Martha looked at her enviably as she moved about in her pretty home, giving an order here, offering a suggestion there, all the time smiling a welcome to the tall, thin man in the big easy-chair, a luxurious change from the jolty of the high-backed wagon.

It was all so pretty, it rested her as well as her head, and she drank in the luxury of the soft, rich carpet in the parlour floor through the vista of the draped archway, and the daintiness of the lace

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Martha's heart sang for joy all the way home, for wasn't she a roll of the loveliest carpet she had ever dreamt of possessing under her feet? And in her lap a bonnet and dress pattern which she would not trust out of her own hands?

Little things enough to make a heart



"LET'S GO IN, MARTHA."

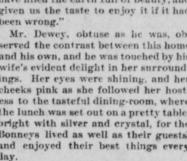
captains. An oil painting of a scene in the Alpine mountains, and before her knew it she had spoken aloud. "If I had such a partner to look into—" then she stopped in confusion.

She was admiring my Alpine scenery," observed Mrs. Bonney, following her eye. "I hung it there where I could see it readily from this room. It rests me when I am tired, the glimpse of the crumpled must be fed until they can bear the stronger meat. That followed later, as Martha's heart opened up to the beautiful Easter service, is warm rays open their thirsty cups to a warm rain."

Mr. Dewey, too, saw something in his wife which he had never seen before, a hope beyond imagination, a desire to fly, which lifts the spirit on invisible wings into the realm of the unseen.

Late at the Dewey farmhouse, was never again the same routine of work to be done. Martha, a growing young again—Mrs. M. H. Arnold, in Chicago Standard.

**A Sure Thing.**



Lady Customer—Are these Easter eggs strictly fresh?

"Yes, we are in our annual surry," observed Mr. Bonney, jovially. "Wife and children always enjoy a little Easter egg, but we have not had time to have a show in that direction to date."

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Mr. Bonney cast a doubtful look at his wife.

"Yes, do come," urged Mrs. Bonney, seeing the look on Mrs. Dewey's face.

"The atmosphere will be lovely, and the day is fine."

"We'll wait until after the service," he said.

"Well, I'll see you."

"I'll see you."

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**THE HICKMAN COURIER.**  
George Warren.

HICKMAN, KY.,  
FRIDAY, : : APRIL 13, 1900.

CLEVELAND declines to say whether he is for Bryan or not. He is mum on the subject.

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HON. W. J. BYRNE has made the positive statement that he will not attend the Democratic National Convention at Kansas City.

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FRIENDS of Gov. Robert L. Taylor, of Tennessee, are using his name in connection with the Democratic vice presidential nomination.

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The United States Government is to issue proclamation in Chinese in aid of the work of the Census Bureau. The census man like the Government, wants a Chinese open door when he calls.

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GENERAL WHEELER believes that he accomplished a life work sufficient for any one man when he led the Southern troops under the Stars and Stripes in the Spanish War. The people agree with him.

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If the administration is so hard up for campaign funds that it has to have a loan on struggling states, then why doesn't Mark Hanna capture Aguinaldo and let him out to Buffalo Bill until after the election?

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DISPATCHES from Bloemfontein, which have passed the censor's hands, indicate that chaos reigns there. There is even fear that the Boers will attack city and soldiers are sleeping in the trenches around the city.

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The idea of having the next Democratic candidate for Governor nominated in a primary election seems to be seriously proposed in some quarters and several influential persons are urging that this plan be adopted.

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Cox. Tracy S. Preddy has issued a call for a conference of Kentucky Populists at Louisville April 25. He is acting under the authority of the regular Populist organization, independent of the "Middle of the Roaders."

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Dewey was thought to be a Repubican and Mrs. Dewey a Democrat. Mrs. Dewey was a Roman Catholic and Dewey an Episcopalian. Now Dewey is a democrat and Mrs. Dewey an Episcopalian. Mrs. Dewey accepts her politics and he accepts hers politics.

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Gov. Campbell of Ohio said the other day: "It takes all the democrats in the country working in union to carry a national election." At the same time Mr. Campbell said that Bryan was stronger than he was in '96 while McKinley was weaker, and that he saw no reason why the former should not be elected.

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CHAIRMAN JONES of the National Democratic Executive Committee is sending considerable time and energy to the preparations to the National Convention to be held at Kansas City July 4th. The States are allowed two delegates for each Congressional District and two for each Senator. Kentucky is entitled to twenty-six delegates.

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CHAS. A. TOWNE, Chairman of the Silver Republican National Committee, has called for a National Convention of that wing of the Republican party to be held at Louisville City on July 4th. This indicates that they are not satisfied in their lot with the Democracy by calling their National Convention in the same city and on the same day as the Democratic National Convention.

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WEBSTER DAVIS, former Assistant Secretary of the Interior, who recently visited the Transvaal, delivered a pro Boer speech to a large audience at the Grand Opera House in Washington Sun night. A number of the members of the Senate and House heard Mr. Davis address. A resolution denouncing Great Britain and its secret allies in this country met with a roar of applause, but was declared adopted. Mr. Morgan, the chairman of the meeting, was greeted with hisses and cries of "traitor" when he assailed the Administration.

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We hear a heap of chit chat these days about whether or not "the constitution follows the flag," says the Charlotte (N. C.) Observer. It used to. Of course it went slower, but it went. When the flag flew over the Mississippi into Texas and the great Western Territories, the constitution sat down on the leves on the east bank of the Mississippi, took off her coat and stockings, and then, like Cousin Emily Dillard, hopped into skirts and waded over into the new empire. But the constitution is unveiled. She isn't as pretty as she was when she was younger, and is not as much thought of. She's sick, too, and even such good doctors as Dr. Bailey, of Texas, and Dr. Littlefield, of Maine, can't cure her. "Does the constitution follow the flag?" An impudent constitution can't follow anything.

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**LOCAL NEWS.**

—Easter egg hunt, next Sunday.  
—Now for April showers and spring flowers.  
—Read the Marshal's sale for taxes, in this issue.  
—When a woman sees a mouse she gets scared.

—Graduation essays and orations are beginning to sprout.  
—John D. Rockefeller has given \$2,000,000 to the Chicago University.  
—Spring flowers and prospective candidates are smiling on the people.

—When the weather is fine it is com-toring to have the dogs grow longer.

—The Southern Baptist Convention will meet at Hot Springs, Ark., May 10.

—The bicycle is now described as the missing link between wings and shoes, because cleaning and poling riding are in the order of things with the house wives.

—The little child of Mr. Ely Powell, living near Reelfoot Lake, died this week.

—Perhaps it is the tired feeling in spring which causes men to go out on strikes.

—It's spring time when a man sits on a tack, and fall when he steps on a banana peal.

—Two persons are known to have lost their lives in the Texas floods and many more are missing.

—The way to keep your watch in good order always is to get Buck to repair it, for he can always repair work his special invention.

—On the next Cuban school teachers will spend six weeks in the United States this summer, visiting a number of cities.

—Easter services at the Methodist Church next Sunday. Special sermon and music for the occasion. Everybody invited.

—It is the "concurrents of opinion"—you have probably heard that expression—that the fruit crop is safe up to date.

—Bad roads constitute the greatest drawback to country life, and for the lack of good roads the farmers suffer more than any other class.

—Easter services at the Methodist Church next Sunday. Special sermon and music for the occasion. Everybody invited.

—Oak—Mahogany—bevel Mirrors. Would be cheap at \$20. Early Spring Special at \$15.50

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Remember, we have the largest Stock of

UNDERTAKERS' GOODS

in Western Kentucky.

STEPHENS & SMITH.

New Wall Paper

We have just received our Spring Stock of Wall Paper, beautiful patterns at very low price. Call and make selection.

Wilson's Book Store.

—It will be only a short while now until the bare naked trees will be putting on their new array of green foliage and nature will have put her best to date.

Preparations on an extensive scale are being made for the reception and entertainment of the Bryanites who will visit Memphis on May 7.

The man who employs his influence and his means in the interest of public enterprise is the force that makes the community prosperous and contented.

Newspaper

We have just received our Spring Stock of Wall Paper, beautiful patterns at very low price. Call and make selection.

Wilson's Book Store.

—It will be only a short while now until the bare naked trees will be putting on their new array of green foliage and nature will have put her best to date.

—Congressman Rice A. Pierce has introduced a bill appropriating \$2,000 for the Christian Church at Union City for its occupancy and damage by Union troops during the war.

In the Federal court at Paducah, Monday, Smith Hogan was sentenced to ten years confinement in the penitentiary for counterfeiting. The crime was committed near Hickman.

DO YOU INTEND to paint your house this Spring? If so,

see SWAYNE. The painter, the hardware man, mixed Paint, Oil, Linseed Oil, Varnishes, Stains, Hard Oil Finish, Etc. Prices right.

The Democrats of Fulton are arranging a royal entertainment for the annual State Convention. The Convention Committee and other State Democrats who will gather there on next Tuesday, 17th inst.

This is the season for the spring poop, the spring bloom, the spring Sicilian, the spring flowers and the spring flood. They're all here except the flood that is to come.

—The Lee Line has withdrawn its two boats from the Tennessee river fleet, leaving the St. Louis & Tennessee and Paducah Co. as its opponents.

The lines had competing steamers in the Mississippi river trade, and it is reported that a compromise has been reached.

SENSATION AND SENTIMENT.

The prevailing sensation and sentiment in Dry Goods circles is that my stock of Spring Goods is the prettiest yet seen on the Rickman market.

H. C. AMBROSE.

Columbus City Council has

a petition asking for an election giving the people opportunity to vote on a proposition to issue bonds to be used in the construction of a dam.

The dam would compete strongly in the Mississippi river trade, and it is reported that a proposal has been made.

—A party of surveyors has been here this week and is still here, we presume, making a final survey for the new track of the Illinois Central railroad which will double the line from Cairo to Fulton. Active work is expected to begin in thirty days, as the contracts made during the winter have already been let.

—Clinton Democrat.

If you want

Style.

Fit, and, especially,

Quality.

MISSES AND CHILDREN'S SHOES,

it will pay you to see our lines.

RICE & NAYLOR,

Cash Shoe Store.

McKINLEY MAKES HIS BED.

The President has carried his pole and whipped into line enough Republicans to pass his bill taxing the poor Porto Ricans against the will of the naked trees will be putting on their new array of green foliage and nature will have put her best to date.

—Porto Rico is denied free trade with the United States, of which it is a part, but it is required to pay tribute on its products shipped into this country. The islanders cannot voluntarily escape the burdensome Spanish taxation without representation.

—The President and the Congress have betrayed the confidence of the confiding and liberty-loving people who called for reform and committed himself to these same odious principles, that caused the American colonies to throw off the yoke of Great Britain and induce the Port of Liverpool to do the same.

—The President has put a duty on products passing through New York and Washington.

Editor Kohlhart, of the Chicago Times Herald, warns the President that he is trifling with the nation's honor, and that the people will never submit to the unjust taxation of any part of the United States.

To Pay Back.

Truly wonders are never ceasing. The pension office at Washington received the following letter recently:

"I have recently joined the church.

"My new home compelled me to quit drawing for the past thirty five years.

"I feel that I must make a confession of my sins.

"At the battle of Gettysburg I did my share.

"At the present time I am limited.

"It will go to the polls a tall,

compact body behind Mr. Bryan.

—Courtier Journal.

WILL SUPPORT BRYAN.

Mr. Bryan will be nominated by acclamation. The Kansas City convention will be held Saturday evening, April 16th, if he can hold the vote by 12 o'clock.

—If he will be elected, for at least a million of gold Democrats who voted against him in 1896, the money difference out of the way, will vote for him in 1900.

—The election of 1896 was largely eliminated in 1900. That which becomes familiar ceases to be revolutionary.

—The friction among democratic leaders is to be avoided.

—The party is to be united.

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**Railroad Time Table.**

N. C. &amp; St. L. R. R.

Leave at 9:30 a.m. Train No. 2, 10 a.m.  
Train No. 3, at 2:30 p.m. Train No. 4, 3 p.m.

**Local and Personal.**

—Frank Twigge, of Fulton, was in the city Sunday.

—A pair in grade Collars for 10c. None better! See RICH & NAYLOR.

—W. J. Barry and Al Faris were in St. Louis, last week.

—Mr. W. H. Webster, of Union City, was in the city Saturday.

—A glass of sassafras tea with every trade, at Buck's.

—Mr. Chas. J. Worth, of Moscow, was in the city Monday.

—Look out for the pretty girl, Sunday, with the Easter bonnet.

—W. B. Shaw's New Store, 100 Main Street, has many of your produce at low prices.

—B. R. Kuykendall and wife, of Dawson, were in Hickman Tuesday.

—J. R. Tillman, of Cairo, was the guest of the Misses Mooney, last Sunday.

—Easter service at the Episcopal church next Sunday. Special musical program.

—Mr. Fred Morris, of Gaysboro, Mo., was the guest of Mr. J. T. Stephens, this week.

—Mr. E. W. Jackson, of Clinton, visited his cousin, Miss Maggie Henderson, last week.

—New Style Hat for 50c. Well worth 50c. Furnishing goods department, RICE & NAYLOR.

—Mr. W. C. Spicer, of Sandwood, Ill., visited Mr. J. M. Henderson, several days last week.

—In Iowa, recently, of the United States army, is the guest of his brother, Percy Jones.

—Mrs. H. Buchanan and Miss Sadie Amberg left Wednesday for a visit to Paragon, Ark.

—R. T. Tyler and B. T. Davis, attorneys for General partnership for the practice of the law.

—City Marshal Dillon has been engaged this week in taking the census of the Hickman school district.

—Brick for Sale.

In any quantity. H. N. COWGILL.

—Mr. Thomas Hallie of Hickman County, one of the oldest and best known citizens of this section, died April 8, 1887.

—Union City Conductor, Thos. Miss Bella Mercer, an accomplished musician of Hickman, is visiting Miss Mattie Debow.

—If Buck tells you an article is good you may be sure of it.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Scott and little son, Fred, of Franklin, were in the family of T. S. Mooney, the latter part of this week.

Miss Ella Gray, of Redfoot, Tenn., spent a few days with the Misses Mooney, last Sunday, on route home from Union City.

—Mr. Dow Davis, a leading and worthy farmer of the Rush Creek neighborhood, this country, died Friday of last week, of typical pneumonia.

—I am showing a nice, complete line of Shirt Waists and Dress Skirts. Guaranteed to fit, and at very low prices. H. U. AMBERG.

—Mr. R. T. Tyler and Circuit Clerk Morris, of Hickman, were in town, waiting to have the State Board reduce Fulton county's tax assessment.

—Mr. W. E. Epperson, a well known citizen of Union City, died Saturday night, April 12, 1887, at his residence, on the police force of that city.

—Mr. W. W. Webster, of this county, has been dangerously ill with pneumonia, is slowly recovering, but his improvement is slow because of his advanced age. We are glad to note the improvement.

—See the fine Umbrellas, Fans, Laces, Embroideries, Handkerchiefs, Ties, etc. H. C. AMBERG.

—Mrs. Bettie Bush, of Kenton; Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Luton of Moscow; Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Emerson, of Hickman, have returned to their homes after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Keiser.—Union City Commercial.

—Miss Mattie Belew, the 19 year old daughter of Mr. Newt Belew, of the Cratchfield neighborhood, this city, is making a rapid recovery from epidemic prevailing in that neighborhood. She was an excellent Christian young lady, and had many devoted friends. Her life was not all sunshine. May the good of her remembered.

—Perfume! Perfume! The Druggist.

An elegant line just received by SWAYNS.

—Mrs. Maggie Mart, formerly Mrs. John Lauderdale, is in her home near West Hickman Town, State last. The deceased was raised in Hickman and as Miss Maggie Routhau and as the wife and widow of Mr. and Mrs. John Lauderdale will be well remembered by most of our older citizens. She was a brilliant and gifted woman, a devout member of the Methodist Church, and had many devoted friends. Her life was not all sunshine. May the good of her remembered.

—Capt. W. Bright, railroad engineer in charge of a surveying force, is engaged this week in doing a location survey for a line extending the Nash & Chat road into West Hickman. Trial lines have been run through the hollow immediately back of the court house and one through what is known as Sleepy Hollow. The statement is made by railroad people that the line will now thoroughly determined upon and that actual work of building will commence within 30 days. The lines to Charleston and Columbus will be run later.

—White in Town

Call at E. E. Reeves & Co.'s, and see his nice line of Carriages and Buggies, Young Men in 18 in. Buggies are now out of sight. Both young ladies and married ladies are specially invited.

# BALTZER & DODDS.

Grand Display and Record-Breaking Prices on New and Desirable Spring Merchandise in every Department throughout our Store.

## Bargain Inducements and Money-Saving Opportunities!

### Wash Goods.

Fine imported Egyptian Dimities. A most desirable fabric for Waist and Dresses. Our price.....

**8 to 25c**

### Gingham.

A choice and selected assortment of Zephyr Ginghams' worth 12½c per yd. Our price.....

**10c**

### Mercerized Sateen

in fancy and solid colors—rich as silk—skirt and Dress—rich es. A bargain at.....

**25 and 35c**

### Standard CALICOES.

Endless, Indigo Blues and Garnets. Our price.....

**5c**

### Domestic.

Good quality black and brown Domestic. Our price.....

**5c**

### Battenberg Stamped Patterns.

We have a complete line, also the Braids, Buttons and Thread.

### Lace All-over.

Black and White for Yokes, Sashes, etc. Our price per yd.....

**50 to \$1**

### Millinery.

We place on sale a large line trimmed sailor, all the correct styles of 1904 Spring season. Hats that will please the most fastidious. Our price.....

**25c to \$3.50**

### Childs Ready Dresses.

A new departure—child Peacock Dresses. Endless, Sizes 3 to 8 years old. Our price.....

**38 to 50c**

### Fashionable Silk.

We show the handsomest line in the city, all the new colorings in Taffeta Silks, CRINOLINE Silks, WASH SILKS, also the new LAPE STRIPE Silks.

### 50c to \$8.50 Ready Made SKIRTS

to fit the New Woodstock, also complete line Wash skirts, study tailor made in the newest fashions, some plain and others richly applied—Our prices cannot be matched in the city.

### Our Line of Young Men's Suits,

age 14 to 18 years, are.....

**\$3.50 to 11.50**

beauties. Prices.....

BOYS KNEE SUITS, with double breast Vest, size 10 to 14 years.

### Dropped Dead.

Zion Austin, a well known colored man, dropped dead, Tuesday, on his home front porch, Faunsdale, where he was employed, supposed to have been caused from heart failure. He was a faithful industrious man. His wife died only a few weeks since.

### HICKMAN COLLEGE.

The Trustees of Hickman College will, in regular meeting on Friday, April 4th, open the books for next year.

The salaries will be the same as they are for the present year. Teachers in the literary departments must have first class qualifications.

Persons desiring positions must make written applications for same.

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### CURRENT TOPICS.

Jacksonville, Fla., is to have a soap factory.

In 1898 Japan pre-acted \$5,000,000 worth of paper.

The population of London increases by 70,000 a year.

The first steamers were introduced into Riverine Padus in 1882.

The introduction of acetone gas into France is making progress.

The United States courts in New Mexico costs the government about \$200,000 a year.

An 11-year-old boy is the manager and operator at the telegraph office in Kingstree, S. C.

Twelve canoes slipped from Algiers to New York and are on the voyage across the Atlantic.

The czar of Russia's army is the only one in Europe that boast of feminine medical officers.

Ten thousand camions in Naples are on strike preventing the introduction of auto-cabs in that city.

Some Spaniards dream of a reunion of the Spanish states of South America with Chile.

Two hundred thousand seers in Culiacan, Mexico, have been bought for 400 colonists from Missouri.

Cooper Union, in New York city, has received \$1,000,000, \$25,000,000 worth of contributions.

The number of newspapers and periodicals in China has increased from 5,571 to 21,178 in 1898.

There is a clock in the city which has never stopped up by human hands. It kept going by the wind.

The American cook kitchen at Paris will be in charge of a colored woman trained as a cook in Maryland.

Minnesota's schools cost about \$5,000,000 annually, and that is one-third of the money raised by taxes in the state.

The advance in coal at Baltimore is estimated, will cost the consumers of that city an extra \$5,000,000 this year.

In Belgian seaports are imposed on persons who have the right to vote, but do not avail themselves of it.

Soldiers in Siberia along the new railroad are buying their agricultural and other machinery in the United States.

John F. Wilson, delegate to congress from Arizona, is an authority on all various American Indian languages.

Chicago's registration for the April election is 247,782. The vote of New York in the last election for mayor was 536,553.

Mayer Harrison, of Chicago, has never missed being present at a meeting of his city council since his election.

The duchess of Astor, the queen of Portugal, are reported the most beautiful of royal ladies.

It is estimated that if the Boers should blow up Johannesburg and destroy the gold mines, the loss would reach \$500,000,000.

The Belgian government has decided to establish bacteriological laboratory for the study of bubonic plague in the island of Pianosa.

Nearly 30 per cent. of the patients in the U.S. Army have been found to be persons who were addicted to the excessive use of alcohol.

There is an epidemic among the Italian and French silkworms. They refuse to eat and are dying in myriads on their mulberry leaves.

An attempt to evade the payment of 1 cent toll on the Berks and Dauphin turnpike has just cost a rich Pennsylvania man \$10,000.

Soil was brought from a depth of 300 feet from a coal mine in Belgium, and from it sprouted weeds of a species unknown to botanists.

John S. Hart, the largest tobacco planter in North Carolina, has withdrawn from the democratic contest for governor of that state.

According to Henri Rochefort, who made a full investigation of the statistics, 215 men offered themselves up their commission in the French army at the beginning of the South African war and enlisted with the Boers.

A movement has recently been started by a number of society women of Washington to establish an arbitration modeled after the Paris system.

The prosperity of the farmers in the northwest is indicated by the fact that many of them are making arrangements to visit the Paris exposition this summer.

A society young man was tried publicly in the court house at Lamotte, Mo., for stealing corn. It was a mock trial and ten cents admission was charged, the proceeds going to the town cemetery improvement fund.

## VICTORY IN RETREAT

Dr. Talmage Gives Suggestions to Christian Warfare.

Joshua's Plan of Ambuscades Cited as Successful Method of Fighting Brightness-Sin's Triumph Brief.

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From an old-time battle scene Dr. Talmage in this discourse makes some startling suggestions as to the best styles of Christian warfare. He quotes a text: "Then shall ye rise up from the ambush and seize upon the city."

One Sabbath evening with my family we were talking over the sense of the text. In the wide open eyes and the quick interrogations and the blanched cheeks there was a certain look of awe and wonderment.

The old city, shorter by name than any other city in the ages, spelt with two letters, A. I. A. Joshua and his men had been defeated, but now they were going to attack by ambuscade.

The one division the battle-worn commander will lead himself, the other division he sends off to encamp in an ambush.

He sends off to encamp in an

ambuscade in that city.

The plumed warriors, no lances, no sound of heavy battalions, but 20,000 swarthy warriors moving in silence, speaking only in a whisper; no clashing of swords against steel, but the stealth of Al diavolo it were and the strategem of the czar.

If a soldier of the Roman legions had come upon them he would have been captured and the general would have been killed.

Bedford jail says: "I will help me and my physique continues.

I will stay here until the more grows on my eyelids, until victory prove that the church days were victory days.

The pilgrim fathers fell back from the other side of the sea to Plymouth Rock, but they fell back as conquerors, not as vanquished.

The church of Christ falling back from Piedmont falling back from St. Peter's, falling back from St. Paul's, falling back from Piedmont falling back from St. Peter's, falling back from St. Paul's, falling back from the British market place, yet all the time triumphing.

The church of Christ falling back from Piedmont falling back from St. Peter's, falling back from St. Paul's, falling back from the British market place, yet all the time triumphing.

Notwithstanding all the shocking reverses which the church of Christ suffers, we find the last days of the twelve hundred years of the church of Christ in heaven greater; 80,000 Christians on the earth.

The fallen church of Christ.

## NOTES FROM WASHINGTON

**Short Specials on the Status of Affairs in the Legislative Halls of the Nation.**

### ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR DEMOCRATS.

**Resignation of Webster Davis, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, and Its Significance—Blinders of President McKinley—Democratic Protection of the Ship Subsidy.**

(Special Correspondence.)

The battle against President McKinley by his countrymen continues. The resignation of Webster Davis, assistant secretary of the interior, was one of the severest blows ever given the administration.

To tell it now, Mr. Davis resigns because he wishes to be free to tell the people the exact conditions of the Boers and what he learned of them during his recent visit to South Africa. He came on this visit to retain his important position under the administration. President McKinley is so thoroughly committed to the Anglo-American understanding that he will not allow himself or the government to tell the facts about the Boers, who are making such a brave struggle for liberty.

Popular sympathy has been with the Boers all along and Mr. Davis' courageous stand has added to the indignation against McKinley for his pro-British attitude.

Mr. Davis is an orator of splendid ability and stands high in the councils of the republican party. He went to South Africa with an unprejudiced mind. He is now enthusiastic in behalf of the Boers on account of the things he learned there. He says the British leadership has permitted the Boers' side of the question to be known. He proposes that it shall be known.

Mr. Davis' speech on the subject will be given in Washington, but he will be in demand all over the country. In addition to the recital of a thrilling story of Boer patriotism, every speaker of influence and ability protest against President McKinley's policy. That a man of such ability and heretofore a loyal republican should be arrayed against the administration is a remarkable issue enough to deepen the gloom and discouragement which has characterized the republican counsels for some time.

#### McKinley's Blunders.

There is no serious question whether McKinley is after all a plausible candidate for reelection. He has piled up such a mountain of blunders and mistakes that the entire nation, the powerful and the weak in his own party, that even at this late day the republicans seem to be casting about for a more plausible candidate.

There is no doubt, I am quite sure, but there are indications in Washington that the search for the man is being made. The republicans cannot continue to support him, and the members of the presidential election and it is becoming more apparent every day that they fear defeat on account of the division in their own ranks. It can hardly be said that the candidate is better qualified in McKinley's stead. In fact it seems difficult to pick one who would combine the requisite qualities for an enthusiastic and patriotic leader. Washington, the true Bryan enthusiasm, has been gathering force. The Webster episode gave it renewed momentum.

#### Democratic Prospects.

Democratic prospects are much pleased over the reaction of the democratic national committee in sending out warning that all delegates sent to Kansas City should be instructed to vote only for the candidates of the president's election and it is becoming more apparent every day that they fear defeat on account of the division in their own ranks. It can hardly be said that the candidate is better qualified in McKinley's stead. In fact it seems difficult to pick one who would combine the requisite qualities for an enthusiastic and patriotic leader. Washington, the true Bryan enthusiasm, has been gathering force. The Webster episode gave it renewed momentum.

#### No Principle of Principle.

During the closing hours of the senate debate on the Porto Rican bill all pretense of prudence was dropped,

and the republicans dropped out of the plane of party tactics and political expediency. Senator Depew, who bids fair to become as much of an oratorical nutcracker as the youthful Beveridge, quoted statistics which assumedly past master in an after-dinner speech, but they made the republicans look rather weary and melancholy. Senator Bryan and his adherents of the Chicago group seem to be conceded without question, but it is thought that no precaution should be spared to make assurance doubly sure. Washington, the true Bryan enthusiasm, has been gathering force. The Webster episode gave it renewed momentum.

#### The Ship Subsidy.

The ship subsidy bill, which is before the house, Representative Grose, of Ohio, champions it in a long introductory report in which various arguments are very plainly put. He only admits that the altered facts on which the arguments are based do not exist at all. From start to finish the bill is a Standard Oil subsidy. It is designed to give away money to the oil trust which would build it three times over every two years. Much ado is made by Representative

Grose over the high wages to be paid to American seamen on subsidized vessels. The fact is that the bill only provides for American officers and the crew may be lascars or Japs. The one thing certain is that the cheapest kind of seamen will be employed. Conditions and wages are already so bad that American-owned vessels are American-owned vessels to be persuaded to man them. The subsidy bill is for the benefit of the trust owners and not the trust employees.

ADOLPH PATTERSON.

#### TRUST AGAINST TRUST.

The Republicans Bluff About Action Against the Monopolistic Combinations.

The republican party, which, according to one of its ablest exponents, always knows how to get out of difficulties, has not yet learned how to do this. To assure the American people that it is opposed to the trusts. The size of the undertaking it proposes may well be realized from the following points: throughout the country at the present time, the relations between the administration and the Standard Oil trust in New York, the power of the trust in politics, the position with regard to Porto Rico, on the demand of other trusts; the exposure of the Illinois bullet pens, the exposure of the lumber companies, the corruption of the railroads, the employment of the portuguese in the portuguese, the manipulation of the market, the damage caused by the unprecedented flood, as becoming more and more appalling as each hour glides by. Scores of persons are known to have perished in the meeting of the flood while the death list is increasing hourly.

The power-house and managerial work, electric light and power plant, which were flooded by the collapse of the dam, are completely ruined. The dam was constructed by the city several years ago at a cost of \$1,000,000. The power-houses and management buildings are owned by the city, cost \$750,000.

The city authorities are paralyzed by the magnitude of the catastrophe. The city Sunday night was a picture of desolation and despair in many churches were suspended for want of light. Electric street cars are inoperative, as the two systems derived their power from the wrecked mud slide.

The great dam which broke was the second largest in the United States. It was 1,143 feet long, 60 feet deep, and 100 feet at the center. The water was 100 feet above the bedrock. It formed in Lake McDonald, which was thirty miles wide. Dallas, Tex., April 10.—Reported received at Dallas up to noon from the southern and southwestern Texas that there were 115 vacancies in the grade of second lieutenants in the army. Of these 115 were in the infantry arm, 41 in the artillery, and 37 in the cavalry. This was the first time that five places in each, depending upon the result of the pending examinations for promotion. About half of these vacancies will be filled by the examination of the cadets at the Point Military academy, and half the remainder through the customary examinations of non-commissioned officers of the regular service. This will leave about 50 vacancies for civilians and preference for these will be given to young men now serving in the volunteer regiments in the Philippines and to sons of soldiers killed in the Spanish war.

Still, the party of Hanna, Rockefeler & Co. are without influence, especially in their efforts, and are seriously proposing an attempt to convince American voters that if once more trusted with control of national affairs it will never sleep until the last trust is destroyed. They are determined that there shall be no question of republican good faith, or that Mr. McKinley is not a study anti-trust man, just as in 1890. They are also determined that a civil-service reorganization, the proprietors of the administration are being urged to keep their profits and operations as much under cover as possible.

The method of assuring public wrath is being pushed to the extent of inducing the warning partners in the Carnegie trust to propose a bill to the legislature which will endow the proposed infant industry with a constitutional amendment, which will kill as soon as the proposition has served its purpose in the campaign. Washington Times.

The neatness with which the republicans are aping the Bryanites in this Porto Rico affair is illustrative when one examines the desperate claim that a tariff on island goods is necessary to protect the United States from foreign competition. The proposal is that the United States authorities have no control, therefore they must abide by the rules established by the islanders.

Wharton Golden was before the grand jury, and it is said he told more than he told on the witness stand at the examining trial of Calen Powers and R. W. Neeson, of Newport.

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Soldier by Shooting.

New Orleans, April 8.—Alfred C. St. Paul, a member of a large family, has committed suicide by shooting himself at the entrance to his office opposite the St. Charles hotel. Saturday. He died almost instantly.

Capt. Sigher in St. Paul.

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## DESTRUCTIVE FLOOD.

Many People Lost Their Lives By the High Water in Texas.

**Much Loss of Live Stock and Other Property Is Being Reported—The Cotton Crop Can Be Replanted—No One Suffering.**

Austin, Tex., April 7.—The great flood across the Colorado river, which was constructed seven years ago at a cost of over one million dollars, has swept away San Antonio in that river, causing the break at 11:15 o'clock, causing an instant rise of fully 50 feet in the river below the dam. This is the greatest inundation in the broad valley below in all of its force.

Austin, Tex., April 10.—The heavy rains following the destruction of life and property by the flood, caused by the unprecedented

break in the dam, have been greatly hampered and delayed.

Gen. Corbin said regarding this matter, "I am sure that the Adjutant General and Bell of Gen. Otis."

"It is a fact that we have heard that such reinforcements have been requested of the Adjutant General," he said, "but I have no information concerning this matter."

Gen. Corbin went on to say that he has direct command of the troops in the state, and that Young and Bell need only

make application to him for what they want.

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**THE VERDICT.**

How the Average Jury Decides.

"Gentlemen of the jury, what is your verdict?" asked Scott Peavy, an Arkansas lawyer, in closing his speech, addressing the twelve men grown but honest citizens who were drawn up in solemn array before him. "Do you find the prisoner at the bar guilty or not guilty?"

"Wa-al—er—hem, Squire," replied the foreman, conservatively, "we have looked the evidence upon one side and down the other, so to describe the process—shook and rattled it round considerable and caused the various p'stions here, and you, and we are a result we find the prisoner er—er—wa-al, kinder safter as it were."

"What do you mean by that? Is he guilty, or ain't he?"

"Why, some ways we think he is, Squire, and other ways he don't presump'ly appear to be. You see, some of us hold that he done it, and others contend that he didn't. Some of us believe it done, it, believe it was right and justice to do it, and some who feel shore he didn't do it, believe he was mean enough to have done it if he had got half a chance. Then, again, one of us, who slept through near most of the whole of the trial, is perfectly willin' to agree to anything under the sun, jes' so's we get through as soon as possible; and another one who is a kicker on general principles, won't agree to nothing, and with much difficulty can even agree to do a sence, but immediately switches over to the other side as fast as we try to pin him down to his disagreement in order to find out whar he really is. And, as for me, Squire, I honestly reckon I've worried off ten or 'leven pounds of fat tryin' to reconcile all these there contendin' elements, and yet the best I can do in gittin' 'em together is to bring about the verdict that we, the jury, are pro-grammed to give, and solemnly warn him not to do it again. We argued and wrangled, and cussed and discussed, and drawed straws over it, Squire, and by heck! that's the best we can make out to do under the circumstances."

**BIG FOWL FARM.**

It Costs \$100,000, but is a Money Maker.

It may prove a matter of surprise to many that Mississippi has a \$100,000 poultry farm. Here is the proof: "The second largest poultry farm in the United States," says the Bay-Waveland Commercial, "is located at Port Gibon, in the state of Mississippi. It is laying hens, poults, chicks, 1,500 ducks and as many turkeys are a part of the enterprise. Twenty to thirty 600 and 800 egg incubators are in constant use. This alone demonstrates the success of the poultry enterprise. Coming from the East Coast, Mr. W. H. Cochran, author of the pamphlet in question was preparing it as a rule to make no experiments with the citizens of Port Gibon. All that is except that he resides in the island during the term of office—carpet baggers of the worst description."

**EASTERN GOLD DEMOCRATS.**

[From N. Y. Graphic.]

Gold Democrats of the east are denouncing McKinley, whom they helped to elect President in 1896, and are coming out strongly for United Democracy in 1898.

Naturally they cling to their faith in gold but they are willing to let that matter rest in abeyance, having seen the folly of fighting for any good to the people in doing so.

"Look here you are too close to my door," said Mr. Cochran.

"What's the matter?" replied the umbrella man in apparent alarm. "Got the small pox?"

And he moved further away from the entrance.

Next week, says one of our exchanges, we will begin running this paper. Captain Kidd would have run it. Department subscribers can get a full refund of their account if stashed in the muzzle of a six shooter. Otherwise this paper will be running as the sheriff would run it.

**CITY BARBER SHOP.**

To my old customers: We are here ready to serve you, and appreciate your patronage or take more pleasure in trying to please you than we old reliable barbers. John Hicks, H. R. Ivy and Will Crowell. Opposite Witting's store.

**TO INVESTIGATE OTIS.  
"WHAT DRIVES TROOPS INSANE."**

100 Demoted Soldiers Sent from Manila.

Washington, April 1.—Whereas, the records of the War department show that on December 1, 1899, thirty officers of the United States army have been driven to commit suicide by the hardships of the campaign in the Philippines, and more than 400 officers and soldiers are now confined in various insane asylums because of the same hardships, and

"Whereas, changes of a serious nature have been made against the officials of the War department and operated very transports, and

"Whereas, similar charges have appeared in the public prints concerning the purchase of these and other commissary and Quartermaster's supplies; it

"Resolved, That the Secretary of War be, and is hereby, called upon to furnish to the House of Representatives all information he may possess bearing on the subjects; and be it

"Resolved, That should further investigation be deemed necessary by the House of Representatives a committee be, and is hereby, authorized to make such an investigation, and to report its findings to the Speaker."

Representative Jefferson M. Levy today introduced a bill in the House asking for information from the Secretary of War first, and then for a comprehensive investigation into the management of the Commissary and Quartermaster authorities have been conducting the war in the Philippines.

The scoundrels in the Philippines have been perfectly supported by the officials here, but they have received so many reports from private sources that it is impossible to say what is the real situation, and as a result we find the prisoner er—er—wa-al, kinder safter as it were."

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**Bill Thorne Wanted.**

Aspern, Texas, April 1, 1900.  
Editor Courier.

Hickman Ky.—Dear Sir—In the year 1861 I was at the hotel at Lauderdale Springs, Miss, and one day Thomas Clegg, a druggist, from Hickman Ky., He was shot in Price's Cross Roads in Miss. I think he belonged to Co. K, 7th Ky. Cav. He was shot in the knee. Please publish this and if any one knows of his whereabouts please let me hear from them and let me know if he is still living. Please publish this and if any one knows of his whereabouts please let me hear from them and let me know if he is still living.

Yours truly,  
Co. B, 10th Miss. Cavalry,  
29,000

Pensions Claimed as a Result of the Recent War.  
(Nashville Banner.)

Hon. H. Clay Evans reported Nashville this morning, and his room at the May Hotel was crowded with pension seekers ever since his arrival. Mr. Evans was not inclined to talk at any length for publication.

He was asked in answer to questions, said there have been between 28,000 and 30,000 pension claims filed as a result of the recent war.

Almost every neighborhood there is one whose life has been saved by Chamberlain's Cholera Chasers, and the instant the news reached Hickman, the town was filled with friends ever since his arrival.

No less worthy of attention is the case of the Prince of Wales, who has been suffering from chronic diarrhoea by the use of medicine. Such persons make up the great majority of those who oppose the Prince of Wales, and the opposition offers, hoping that it may be successful, the means of saving other lives. For publication.

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